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BROCKTON, MA – Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz announced that Michel Tavares, (DOB: 10/12/93) of Brockton, was arraigned today on charges of indecent assault and battery on a person 14 or over and assault and battery.

The charges stem from allegations that Tavares indecently assaulted and struck a female in a dorm room on the campus Bridgewater State University on April 16th. At the time of the alleged assault, Tavares was employed as a food service worker at Bridgewater State.

The Commonwealth requested that Tavares be held on \$1,000 cash bail. The defense asked that he be released on his own personal recognizances and Judge Franco J. Gobourne granted the defense request with the condition that Tavares have no contact with the victim in the case and that he not trespass on the Bridgewater State campus.

Tavares is next scheduled to be in court on July 27th for pre-trial conference.

The case was arraigned by Assistant District Attorney Kevin O'Leary and was investigated by Bridgewater State University Police.

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